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Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communication
Staff Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 17, 2003
9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
311 Ag Hall

Present: Barbuto, Barrett, Fairchild, Fleming, Fritz, Husmann, James, King, Moody, Parsons, Wheeler

During the full faculty meeting that focused on the Undergraduate committee agenda, the following actions were taken: It was moved by Barbuto, seconded by Barrett that doctoral-level graduate teaching assistants be required to complete ALEC 905 as part of their graduate teaching assignment. Motion passed. This requirement will be implemented during the Spring 2004 semester. By acclamation, faculty voted to retain the previous core requirements for the Ag Journalism and Ag Ed: Teaching option programs, and to adopt the new CASNR core for the Ag Ed: Ag Leadership option in the areas of science and humanities electives, however the communication requirement will stand.

Fritz called the staff meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. King moved and Husmann seconded approval of the minutes of the September 19, 2003 staff meeting. Motion passed.

Fritz distributed and discussed the draft agenda for the Advisory Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 4. Development of the AgLEC Strategic Plan will be the focus of the meeting. Faculty are encouraged to attend as much of the meeting as possible.

Fritz led the discussion of the AgLEC newsletter. Most of the articles are in. Fritz and King are working on which articles to include in this first issue. The plan is to have the newsletter published electronically before November 11th.

The draft of the AgLEC Strategic Plan was distributed to faculty with the ARFA information. Please make sure the commitments stated are correct and provide input to Fritz. Is this really what we intend to do?

Changes have been made to the AgLEC website by Barbara. Faculty are encouraged to check the information and links on their personal page. Give changes to Barbara.

Fritz distributed department budget information. We are moving along on schedule with the current departmental budget. The future doesn't look good for the state. Sales tax receipts are down and more budget cuts are possible for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to cleaning of the AgLEC space in the attic.

Submitted by Betty James
October 20, 2003